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To: Senate Bill No. 882

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 7-421 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 5 *October* 1, 2015):
- 6 (e) Any municipal employee shall have the right to serve on any
- 7 governmental body of the town in which such employee resides except
- 8 any body which has responsibility for direct supervision of such
- 9 employee. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection and
- 10 except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, (1) no such
- 11 employee who is a manager or who serves at the pleasure of an
- 12 appointing authority of the municipality in which he or she is

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employed shall serve on [any of the following] any board of finance created pursuant to chapter 106 or any special act or municipal charter or any body exercising the powers of a board of finance unless such employee is permitted to serve pursuant to the provisions of a municipal charter or home rule ordinance or serves because of membership on the legislative body of [the] a municipality [: (A) Any board of finance created pursuant to chapter 106 or any special act or municipal charter; (B) any having a population of less than one hundred forty thousand as shown by the most recent federal decennial census; (2) no such employee shall serve on any of the following unless such employee is permitted to serve pursuant to the provisions of a municipal charter or home rule ordinance or serves because of membership on the legislative body of the municipality: (A) Any body exercising zoning powers pursuant to chapter 124 or any special act or municipal charter; [(C)] (B) any body exercising land use powers pursuant to chapter 125a or any special act or municipal charter; [(D)] (C) any body exercising planning powers pursuant to chapter 126 or any special act or municipal charter; or [(E)] (D) any body regulating inland wetlands and watercourses pursuant to chapter 440 or any special act or municipal charter; [and (2)] (3) any municipality may, by ordinance adopted by its legislative body, authorize such employees to serve on (A) any body exercising zoning powers pursuant to chapter 124 or any special act or municipal charter; (B) any body exercising land use powers pursuant to chapter 125a or any special act or municipal charter; (C) any body exercising planning powers pursuant to chapter 126 or any special act or municipal charter; or (D) any body regulating inland wetlands and watercourses pursuant to chapter 440 or any special act or municipal charter.

(f) Any municipal employee who serves at the pleasure of the mayor of the municipality in which he or she is employed who is serving on a board of finance created pursuant to chapter 106, any special act or municipal charter or on any body exercising the powers of a board of finance in a municipality having a population of more than one hundred forty thousand as shown by the most recent federal

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47 <u>decennial census on October 1, 2015, may continue to serve on such</u>

- 48 board or body and may be reappointed or reelected to such office,
- 49 provided nothing in this subsection shall authorize such a municipal
- 50 <u>employee who has ceased serving on such board or body to be</u>
- 51 <u>appointed or to be a candidate for such office unless such employee is</u>
- 52 permitted to serve pursuant to the provisions of a municipal charter or
- 53 <u>home rule ordinance.</u>
- Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 8-19 of the general statutes is
- 55 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 56 *October 1, 2015*):
- 57 (a) Any municipality may create by ordinance a planning 58 commission, which shall consist of five members, who shall be electors 59 of such municipality and whose terms of office and method of election 60 or appointment shall be fixed in the ordinance. The ordinance may 61 provide that members may be municipal employees if the municipality 62 has adopted an ordinance authorizing such membership pursuant to 63 the provisions of subparagraph (C) of subdivision [(2)] (3) of subsection (e) of section 7-421, as amended by this act. The chief 64 65 executive officer of the municipality and the engineer thereof or 66 commissioner of public works, if any, shall also be members of the 67 commission, without voting privileges. The terms of office shall be so 68 arranged that the terms of not more than three members shall expire in 69 any one year. Unless otherwise provided by charter, vacancies shall be 70 filled by the commission for the unexpired portion of the term. Upon 71 the adoption of this section by ordinance as herein provided, and the 72 appointment or election of a commission thereunder, any planning 73 commission in the municipality established under any previous act of 74 the General Assembly shall cease to exist, and its books and records 75 shall be turned over to the commission established under this section, 76 provided all regulations promulgated by such planning commission 77 prior to that time shall continue in full force and effect until modified, 78 repealed or superseded in accordance with the provisions of this

chapter. The area of jurisdiction of a planning commission created by a

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town includes any city or borough therein without a legally constituted planning commission for all planning purposes except those specified in sections 8-24 and 8-29. Powers granted under said sections may be delegated by the legislative body of such city or borough to the planning commission of the town in which such city or borough is situated. Any city or borough in which a planning commission has been previously established may, by ordinance, designate the commission established under this section in the town in which such city or borough is situated to be the planning commission of such city or borough, and such commission shall supersede the planning commission previously established in such city or borough. The commission shall elect a chairman and a secretary from its members, shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a public record of its activities. The planning commission of each municipality shall file an annual report with the legislative body thereof."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	7-421(e)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2015	8-19(a)

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